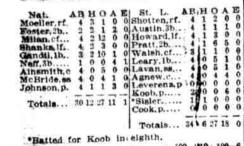
# Cobb Defends So-Called "Bone-Head Plays"---Declares Public Criticism Unfair

# WESTERN SWING IS HALF COMPLETED

Seven and Lose Seven

## Edging Up a Bit



Washington 400 410 109-5

L. Louis 900 100-100-100

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Runs-Moeller, Foster, Milan, Sharika, Gandi, Austin and Sisler. Stolen bases-Foster and Milan, Two-base hits-Johnso a, Pratt, Isler, Three-base hits-Gandil. Earned runs-Washington, 6; St. Louis, 1. Sacr fice hits-left (2), Moeller, Foster, Double p lays-Austin to Pratt to Leary; Koob to Lavan to eary; Pratt to Leary; Koob to Lavan to eary; Pratt to Leary; Koob to Lavan to eary; Pratt to Agnew to Austin; Shotten unassisted. Left on bases-Washington, 6; It. Louis, 5. First base on error-St. Louis, Pirst base on balls-Off Leverenz, 1; off foob, 2; off Cook, 1. Hits-Off Leverenz, 3 fook, 1 in 1 inning. Hit by pitcher-By ohnson (Walsh): by Koob (Gantfil). Struck ut-By Leverenz, 1; by Koob, 3; by Cook, 2 by Johnson, 2. Umpires-Messrs, Evans and Chill. Time of game-1 aour and 32 minutes.

#### By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

CLEVELAND, July 17.-The Griffmen arrived in the Forest, City with a record of seven victories and fourteen defeats since leaving home. Half of their swing through the West has been completed, but they face some tough cuszomers in the Indians and the Tigers. Six games must be played here and four in Detroit before the harried Nationals head homeward. Manager Griffith is hopeful of at least breaking even in these ten contests to come, which will make a record of a little better than lone-third victories on the road.

Will someone please tell me exactly what constitutes a "bone-head" play? The longer I remain in babaseball, the less-certain I am of the exact definition of this word. Lately I am beginning to think that a "boner" is something you don't get away with, while a great play is

The Indians are tailenders, but they are captile of suddenly coming to life whenever opposed to the Griffmen. The Washington pitchers have, been sadly strained on this trip and the team is hitting in poor for u. This combination may be enough to spell deaster both there and in Detroit. However, the Old Fox insists on fighting to the bitter end and will do his best to make his players follow suit.

arch out of the hundred fans pres-

ond after Johnson had hit into a dou-ble. Moeller singled, reaching third for using my head. It all depends on on Foster's wallop. Jack Leary got how things come out. all mussed up when Koob caught Foster off the bag. He thought he could toss out Moeller at third, but the Griffman beat the throw and both were safe. Moeller then tried to steal ter hit a short foul and I was doubled to have a short foul and I was doubled. home only to fail when Agnew came up. That time, too, I was trying to up out of the dust with the ball.

out in left and seized Lavau's pop. Neff hopped upon Walsh's bounder right over the bag and Gandil completed the play by a great pack-up.

Though Milan, and Gandil singled in the third, there was nothing doing, as leff cracked into a double play with sizzler back at Koob.

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The Brownies got into the running in the fourth when Austin started things by reaching third on Neff's tarted of his bunt to right field. Howard fouled, but Austin fallied on Pratt's out. Neff made a fine jumping one-hand catch of Pratt's high bounder. completing the play with a superb peg to Gandil. After Walsh had scratched a safely, Leary fanned weakly, ending

Moeller's ringing single opened the fifth. Foster dropped a Texas leaguer in center. Milan forced the midget, and when Shanks forced Zeb, Moeller tailied.

An unusual play was seen in the sixth. Neff walked. Ainsmith's weak attempt to sacridee was a puny pop to Leary. McBride put up a short fly to Shotten. It looked certain to fall safe, and Neff was at second when Shotten camped under the ball. The frownie kept on running to first, completing a double play unassisted.
Johnson rattled the fence on the
center field bleschers with a double
in the seventh, reached third on Moel-

and scored on Foster's long

Sister, hitting for Koob, dropped a Texas leaguer back of second to start the eighth. Austin's out advanced him to third, and he tallied on Howard's bunt to Johnson, beating the peg to the plate. Pratt bounced a safety over Neff's head, reaching second on the throw to third. Denny Walsh stopped the fun with a bounder to Johnson.

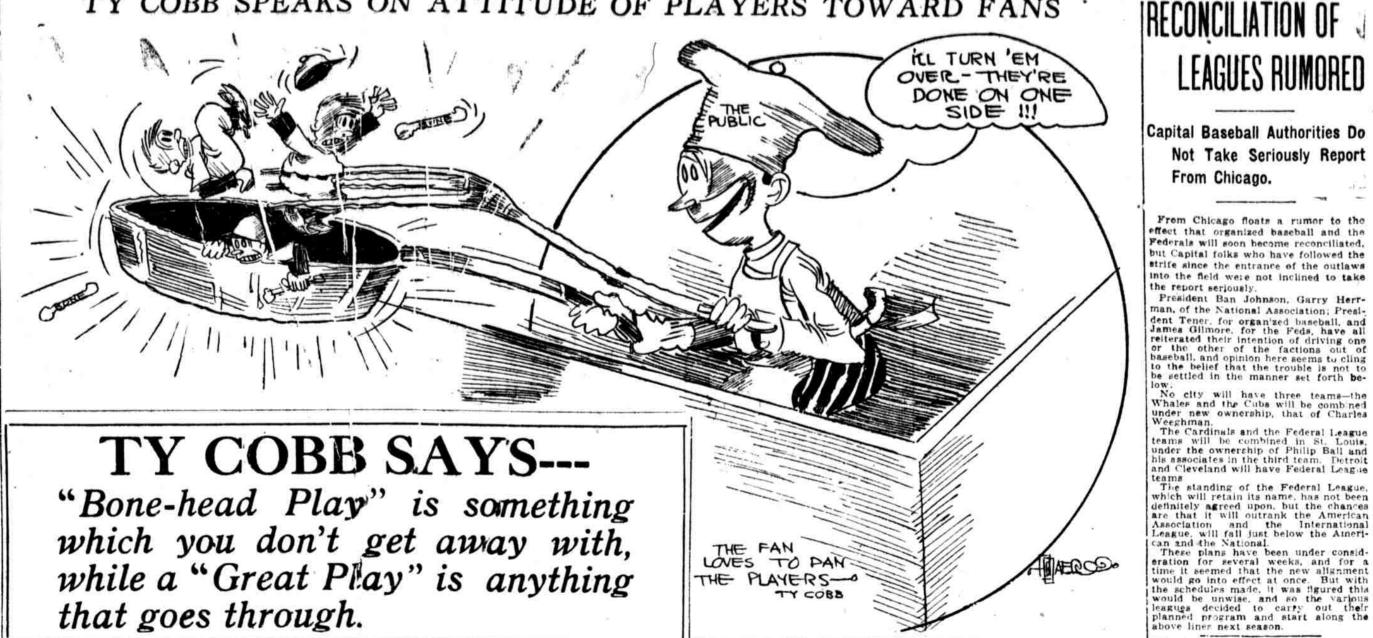
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Sisler, Browns	1	1	2	1.000
Twombley, Reds.	1	1	1	1.000
Humphries, Cubs	1	1	1	1.000
Moeller, Griffs	4	3	3	.750
J. Walsh, Macks.	4	3	3	.750
Davies, Macks	3	2	4	.667
Gandil, Griffs	3	2	4	.667
O'Mara, Dodgers	3	:2	3	.667
Schmidt, Braves.	7	4	4	.571

# TY COBB SPEAKS ON ATTITUDE OF PLAYERS TOWARD FANS



"boner" is something you don't get away with, while a great play is anything that goes through.

Just the other day, in the second game of the macent New York series to be exact, I was liberally panned by the fans (for pulling what they were pleased to call an awful "ivory." It so happened that I didn't go through with what I started, and so I was branded as a player who lost his head in a pinch. It is a peculiar thing that I have twice

Milan and Shanks. Neff's sacrifice fly brought Gandil over before Ainsmith put me out, but if I had succeeded in fanned. Those four runs took all the getting Shawkey so far up in the air they bear the state of the that the batter either would have been able to get a "groover" to hit or a pass, I would have been given credit

how things come out. rattle the pitcher and I figured that a Three pretty plays disposed of the Browns in the second. Milan raced a mile to get Leary's bid for a homer. McBride scooted over to the line far thought in left and seized learner that a steal of home was Just the thing to do it. I realized of course, that my one run wouldn't win the game, as the Nationals had a lead of three, but the psynthin left and seized learner.

run wouldn't win the game, as the Nationals had a lead of three, but the psychological effect would have been enough to have put the twirler completely up in the air.

Looking at the other side of the picture. I have made some very bad plays that were really caused by poor head work and have been hailed as a hero because I got away with them. Other players have had the same experience.

By "BUGS" BAER.

Correct Color.

AS AUSTRIA HAS JUST PUBLISH-ED ITS RED BOOK ON THE WAR, MANAGER STALLINGS WILL GET OUT A BLUE BOOK ON THE BRAVE'S CHANCES FOR THE PENNANT. perience.

I remember one time that one of the Tigers stole second with the bases before St. Louis, the opposing club, had finished throwing the ball around everybody had scored. It was one of the most inexcusable "boners" in baseball history, but it won that game for us, because the Browns' pitcher was unhit-

table, and the batter who was up in the pinch didn't even get a foul when things finally settled down.

Another case was in the world's series last fall when Charlie Deal got caught flatfooted off second base, but made third when Barry couldn't get hold of the ball to throw. Deal finally scored the winning run, and a lot of people tried to say that he had purknowing that he would be able to make third. Perhaps he did, but if so, he had about one chance in a thousand to succeed, and if he hadn't been lucky enough to cover up his faux pas he would have been charged with being one of the biggest "ivory skulls" in history.

There is something about the present Tigers that reminds me very strongly of the team that won our first pennant in 1967. Somehow the 1915 aggregation seems to have acquired the same faculty for batting out victories when it seems hopelessly beaten. Eight years ago we didn't care much how far we were behind just so long as we had an inning or so left to bat. I believe that we won half our games by coming from behind and overcoming a big lead. This year, we are doing the same thing. Honestly, we hate to be in front before the middle of the game, figuring that it is luckier to have the other fellow set the pace for a time. No matter how many runs we have to make in the last two or three sessions, we believe that we can make them, and we very frequently do against even the

lieve that we can make them, and we very frequently do against even the best pitchers. Last Monday, for instance, in a game with Boston we overcame leads of five runs, of two runs, of one run, and of three runs, making a total of eleven tallies that we gathered when we were behind. Unfortunately for us, Boston finally got some runs that we couldn't match, so we were beaten. We can't win all the games, and we don't expect to, but there isn't a pitcher in the loague who feels safe until our last man is out in the ninth linning. I am very much encouraged over the

buy the umps tickets on some other line. ON LEAVING THE HOOSEGOW HARRY THAW WAS CHEERED BY A GREAT CROWD, WHICH PROVES THAT ALL THE BUGS AREN'T ON POTATO PLANTS. If the Krupp munition workers

I am very much encouraged over the Tigers' fine batting in their recent games, and believe that our chances for the pennant are as good as anybody's right now. We haven't so many reliable pitchers as Chicago and Boston, but we have a lot more "punch" than either, and if we do not strike a slump, the many for ammunition, which the transport of the flow in the custom heretafore. should batter our way to the mag, in has been the custom heretofore.

MINCE PIE

"LITTLE OF EVERYTHING"

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line."

Next year is leap year, which gives

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"The Nationals

may get in the

rules code was brought out very forc-ibly in one of the Boston games in Detroit. Tris Speaker tried to steal home and beat the ball, and Baker, our catcher, did not touch him. Unpire Hildebrand did not make any decision at all and reveral of our players gathered around the plate and started to argue that the Boston man should be called out. Still Hildebrand stood mute and didn't say a word.

Finally, George Burns, our first baseman, tumbled to the state of affairs and went over to the bench and touched Speaker, who was getting a drink of Wirt's win was accomplished by greater. Then Hildebrand ruled Tris out.

Fox Insists on figuring to make his players follow suit.

Waiter Johnson won, his first game since becoming a proud father, though he had tried four timed unsuccessfully and tried four timed unsuccessfully and the Fox frame, capped by poor twirling to the first frame, can fair each be a more kid, was touched to keep the fair fair each be a more kid, was touched the star of the fair grain and was of the fair fair each of the same and one gave way to Koob rifter one had died with the lines yellings and waving to work and three had scored. Moeller fanned, but Foster walked, Milan ripped a caught between bases and run down. Of only three times this season base to the bench, The next thing we know, of only three times this season base to the bench, where it is hidden from the work and the cultrant of the fair fair each of these man once this season base t Now, the proposition that a play can

runs in a game. In one series of four games the opposing club made twenty-live tallies, yet Detroit won three of these contests. You can't tell me that a club which possesses such an attack The umpire is placed in a very ema club which possesses such an attack as ours isn't a factor in the race. Just watch us travel if our pitchers ever get going as they should.

The umpire is placed in a bery elliphoration by a thing of this barrassing position by a thing of this such as the rules now real. He doesn't want to tip either team off to the fact that the runner has missed the plate, and he looks foolish standing mute. and he looks foolish standing mute. Serious trouble is likely to arise over such a play, too. The necessity for a revision of the

In the world's series of 1911 Larry Doyle, of the Giants, scored the winning run of one game without ever touching the plate. The Athletics did not happen to notice it, so they left the field and didn't make any protest. But the umpire, Bill Klem, saw that Doyle had sild by, and he said that if the Mackmen's catcher had gone after Doyle and touched him, he would have ruled him out.

You can imagine what a riot there you'd have been if Doyle had been pursued to the bench and tagged. The umpire would have been mobbed as sure as shooting and somebody probably would have been seriously hurt. The arbiters have trouble enough in the ordinary course of the day's work and there is no use exposing them to need-

Just as I predicted last week, there has been no important change in the positions of the leading clubs in the American League. The Tigers are profiting while their two rivals, Chicago and Boston, are cutting each other's throats, but we can gain only on the loser in that series. When it comes to bones, some ballplayers are shad.

There are twelve months in the year,
and four weeks in each month, and on
each Tuesday afternoon about 3 o'clock.
Jack Coombs wins a baseball game after retiring on Monday for life.

other's throats, but we can gain only on the loser in that series.

Boston's pitching staff did not look nearly so good here as I had expected to see it, and, unless the stars take a brace. Carrigan is going to find his path to ward the pennant a very stony one.

Leonard didn't seem to have a thing against us, while Shore and Ruth were wild. Foster was the only one of the bunch who made us any trouble and, of course, he cannot expect to win all the games for the Hub boys.

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### Five-Mile Canoe Race Up Potomac River Today

Twelve doubles in canoes will race world series, but over a five-mile course on the Potomac not on the right starting at 4 p. m. from Sum Camp .. the Virginia side today. The race will the Virginia side today. The race will be held up the Potomac to Fletcher's Cove, where the teams will carry to the canal and race down to Dempsey's where enother carry will take them into the river. The final stretch will be between Dempsey's and Sum Camp, situated about half way between the Aqueduct and Chain bridges.

Last year the event was won by Eurch and Collier. Everett Ansley and Fred Eliason, of the Washington Canoe Club, are being picked as winners in today's event. side of the foul

## Cubs Drop Collins.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 17.-The Milwaukee American Association club today purchased Shortstop Eddie Col-lins from the Chicago National League

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#### Wirt and Birthwright Do Norman Taber's Feat Well in Canadian Games

track team, now with the United States aglow today over the wonderful persurvey at Skinner, Me., took part in landed first in the hurdles and third in Wirt's win was accomplished by going

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minutes 12 3-5 seconds. The old mark

### Walter Cahill Has Finally Landed Berth

LEAGUES RUMORED

Not Take Seriously Report

Frem Chicago floats a rumor to the

effect that organized baseball and the Federals will soon become reconciliated, but Capital folks who have followed the strife since the entrance of the outlaws into the field were not inclined to take

President Ban Johnson, Garry Herrman, of the National Association; Presi-

No city will have three teams—the Whales and the Cubs will be combined under new ownership, that of Charles

The Cardinals and the Federal League teams will be combined in St. Louis, under the ownership of Philip Ball and

his associates in the third team. Detroit and Cleveland will have Federal League The standing of the Federal League

which will retain its name, has not been definitely agreed upon, but the chances are that it will outrank the American Association and the International

From Chicago.

the report seriously

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